(d) by when action is likely to be completed in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY): (a) and (b). State Bank of India (SBI) have reported that the current Scheme of Delegation of Financial powers relating to advances at the Bank's domestic offices has been in force since 1st January, 1986. The credit sanctioning powers at the domestic offices depend upon the type of credit facility and the nature of the borrower and very from the Branch Manager to the Executive Committee of the Central board, the latter having full powers.

(c) and (d). SBI have reported that revision of credit sanctioning powers would be undertaken by them after the MOXINSEY & Co.'s final report is accepted by the Bank for implementation.

Debt Relief Schemes

3319. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the amount still remains to be paid as direct payment and as loans o Government of Maharashtra under the Maharashtra Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief Scheme, 1990;

(b) whether it is a fact that cooperative Banks in the State have been incurring losses by way of interest etc. owing to the delay of the Central Government in releasing the funds due; if so, the total amounts of loss so far incurred by these banks; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to pay the amounts falling due from time to time?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY) : (a) to (c). Reserve Bank of India (RBI) and National Bank for Aricul-ture and Rural Development (NABARD) have reported that as per the policy guidelines the claims of banks in Maharashtra under the Agricultural and Rural Debt Relief (ARDR) Scheme, 1990 have been settled in full. No further amount is due to be paid to Government of Maharashtra either as direct payment or as loan, under the Scheme. The claim that Cooperative banks have incurred loss by way of interest owing to delay of Central Government in releasing funds is not well founded as it is mainly based on the application of interest to doubtful and chronic overdues.

Internal Work Study Units

3320. T. VENKATRAM REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any monitoring of the work done to effect economy by the Internal Work Study Units in various Ministries of the Government of India;

(b) if so, the achievements made by such units during the years 1992, 1993 and 1994, Ministry-wise;

(c) whether the finding reports of these units about staff reduction are being implemented by their administrative ministries strictly;

(d) if not, whether the Government propose to take some tough measures to achieve the object of effecting economy in Government offices;

(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M. V. CHANDRASHEKARA MURTHY) : (a) to (c) Internal Work Study Units have been set up in various Ministries/Department to, inter-alia, study organisational structures, work methods and procedures, performance